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United States Patents

<u>U.S. Patent No.</u>	<u>Patentee</u>	<u>Issue/Publication Date</u>
5,769,025	van der Lely et al.	06-23-1998
US 2003/0131619	Lidman et al.	07-17-2003

Foreign Patent Documents

<u>Patent No.</u>	<u>Patentee</u>	<u>Issue/Publication Date</u>
WO 02/074069 A1	Lidman et al.	09-26-2002
DE 100 39 014 A1	Kornab et al.	02-21-2002
EP 0 122 900	Carlsson	10-24-1984

Other Documents

English language Abstract, Translated Description and Claims of DE 100 39 014 A1, European Patent Office's esp@cenet.com database, 9pp.

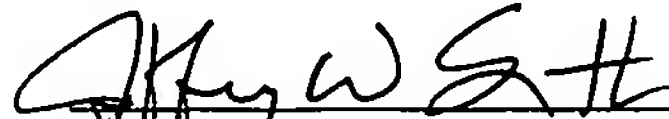
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